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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1650  
PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : William V. Curran *et al.*  
Application No. : 09/904,756  
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For : *ANTIMICROBIAL SULFONIMIDE DERIVATIVES OF  
LIPOPEPTIDE ANTIBIOTICS*

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.116 AND 1.121

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Commissioner:

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Claim amendments are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.